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7 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
8 **WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON**  
9 **AT TACOMA**

10 JAMES KEVIN PITTS,

11 Petitioner,

12 v.

13 WARDEN GLEBE,

Respondent.

NO. C09-5713 FDB/KLS

ORDER GRANTING  
RESPONDENT'S MOTION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE  
ANSWER

14 Before the Court is Respondent's Motion for Extension of Time to File an Answer to  
15 Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus. Dkt. 10. Having reviewed the motion and balance of the  
16 file, the court finds that the motion should be granted.


17 Respondent's answer is currently due on January 19, 2010. See Dkt. 4. Respondent  
18 requests an extension of time until February 19, 2010 to file his answer to the habeas petition.  
19 Dkt. 10. Counsel for Respondent has received the state court files relating to Petitioner's  
20 case, but has not had sufficient time to properly review the files and prepare a response due to  
21 the holidays and deadlines in other cases. Dkt. 11, p. 2.

22 Accordingly, it is **ORDERED:**

23 1. Respondent's motion for an extension of time (Dkt. 10) is **GRANTED**.  
24 Respondent shall file his answer **on or before February 19, 2010**.  
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2. The Clerk shall send copies of this Order to Petitioner and counsel for Respondent.

**DATED** this 15th day of January, 2010.

  
Karen L. Strombom  
United States Magistrate Judge